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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Serial No.: 10/702,297 )  
Filed: November 6, 2003 )  
For: MECHANISM FOR SWITCHING )  
BETWEEN CLOSED CENTER AND )  
OPEN CENTER HYDRAULIC )  
SYSTEMS )  
Inventor: Harwath et al. )  
Art Unit: 3745 )  
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned )  
Attorney Docket No.: 913/40666/306 )



**STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant, by and through its attorneys of record, respectfully request a report as to the status of the above-noted application. This application was filed on November 6, 2003 and as of the date of this letter, no Office Action has been received in this matter. The purpose of this letter is to insure that an Office Action has not been misdirected in the mail and, if no Office Action has been forwarded, Applicant requests an estimate as to when it might expect an Office Action in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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